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STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW

Dear Sir:

On April 26, 2005, Applicant's representative, Brian Rosenbloom, participated in a telephonic interview with the above named Examiner. Agreement with respect to the claims was not reached.

During the interview several of the independent claims were discussed. With respect to independent claims 1 and 4, Applicant's representative noted that none of the prior art teach or suggest sending an instructor command from an instructor computer to a student computer.

With respect to claim 13, Applicant's representative noted that none of the prior art teach or suggest: a student device storing course content that was previously downloaded from a central server; at least one instructor operable computer networked with said student device and said central server, said instructor operable computer and said student device being configured to enable an instructor command to be sent from said instructor operable computer to said student device; wherein, upon receipt of said instructor command, said student device modifies the course content stored in the student device based on said instructor command.

With respect to claim 18, Applicant's representative noted that none of the prior art teach or suggest a method including the steps of: having a student access course content via a student computer configured to present course content to the student; modifying the course content presented to the student based on an instructor command sent from an instructor computer to said student computer; and having said student communicate remotely with said instructor in substantially real time audio or video.


With respect to claim 20, Applicant's representative noted that none of the prior art teach or suggest a method including the steps of: controlling a course presentation to a remote student via a student computer by instructor commands sent via a network from an instructor computer to the student computer; and enabling the remote student to conduct a real-time communication with the instructor using a video camera coupled to the student computer.

With respect to claim 25, Applicant's representative noted that none of the prior art teach or suggest a course training console that includes: a computer system having a student console for displaying course lesson information, wherein said course lesson information is pre-stored in digital data storage prior to displaying course lesson information, and wherein said console includes at least one audio/video receiver and transmitter configured to provide real time feedback from a remote instructor, and said console includes a plurality of monitors, including a first, second and third monitor, wherein the console is configured to display (a) reference material on the first monitor, (b) the output of a video camera for conferencing on the second monitor, and (c) shared text communications on the third monitor.

With respect to claim 29, Applicant's representative noted that none of the prior art teach or suggest a training system that includes: a first student computer configured to present course content to a first student; a second student computer configured to present course content to a second student; and at least one instructor computer networked with said first and second student computers, said instructor computer being configured to enable a first instructor command to be sent from said instructor computer to only said first student computer and being configured to enable a second instructor command to be sent from said instructor computer only to said second student computer, wherein, upon receipt of said first

instructor command, said first student is modified and/or changed based on said first instructor command, and wherein, upon receipt of said second instructor command, said second student computer is modified and/or changed based on said second instructor command.

The Examiner indicated that the amended claims require further search and consideration.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,					
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